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1. HERewith ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHINA NEWS (20,000)
JULY 10 EDITORIAL COMMENT ON SENATOR JACKSON'S PEKING
VISIT:
2. "WHAT IS THERE IN VISIT PEIPING THAT PULLS WOOL OVER
EYES OF HIGHLY INTELLIGENT AND PRINCIPLED MEN?
MEMBERS OF U.S. UPPER HOUSE AND PROSPECTIVE DEMOCRATIC
CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT IN 1976.
4. "HE STANDS APART FROM BOTH LIBERAL AND SOUTHERN
WINGS HIS PARTY. HE IS CONSERVATIVE BUT NOT TO SAME
EXTENT AS BARRY GOLDWATER. HE WAS ONE OF SENATE'S
FOREMOST HAWKS THROUGHOUT VIETNAM WAR.

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5. "SENATOR JACKSON VISITED CHINESE MAINLAND LAST

WEEK. COMMUNISTS WERE SUFFICIENTLY IMPRESSED WITH HIS IMPORTANCE TO SEE THAT HE HAD HOSPITAL MEETING WITH AILING CHOU EN-LAI.

6. "WHEREUPON JUNIOR SENATOR FROM WASHINGTON STATE RETURNED HOME AND ADVOCATED IMMEDIATE U.S. RECOGNITION OF CHINESE COMMUNISTS.

7. "HE SEEMS HAVE PREDICATED HIS ENDORSEMENT ON PEIPING'S ANTAGONISM TOWARD SOVIET UNION.

8. "FOR VARIOUS REASONS, SENATOR JACKSON IS A BITTER OPPONENT OF U.S.S.R. HE THINKS THAT TO ALIGN UNITED STATES WITH PEIPING WILL BE SEVERE BLOW TO RUSSIAN COMMUNISTS.

9. "BEFORE HE GOES FURTHER, SENATOR JACKSON -- WHO PRIDES HIMSELF ON FAIR-MINDEDNESS -- OUGHT PAUSE AND CONSIDER SEVEAL POINTS.

10. "FIRST, ENEMY OF UNITED STATES IS COMMUNISM, AND THAT INCLUDES BOTH RUSSIAN AND CHINESE BRANCHES, NOT TO MENTION THOSE OF NORTH VIETNAM AND NORTH KOREA.

11. "COMMUNISTS HAVE THEIR DIFFERENCES. BUT DESTRUCTION OF UNITED STATES IS NOT ONE OF THEM. ARMAGEDDON WILL PIT UNITED STATES AND ITS ALLIES AGAINST COMMUNISTS OF ALL STRIPES AND DESCRIPTIONS.

12. "SECOND, CHINESE COMMUNISTS HAVE SHOWN IN BOTH WORD AND ACTION THAT THEY HATE ONE 'SUPERPOWER' AS MUCH AS THE OTHER. WHAT THEY HAVE HAD TO SAY TO SENATOR JACKSON IS COMPLETELY AT ODDS WITH THEIR OFFICIAL POSITION.

13. "THIRD, UNITED STATES HAS A LONG-ESTABLISHED ALLIANCE WITH REPUBLIC OF CHINA WHICH CANNOT BE TRANSFORMED FROM DIPLOMATIC TO LIAISON STATUS AT WAVE OF SENATOR JACKSON'S HAND.

14. "PRESUMABLY SENATOR ACCEPTS, AS TOO MANY OTHER AMERICANS DO, THE PERMANENCE OF COMMUNISTS' HOLD ON THE UNCLASSIFIED

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MAINLAND. HE IGNORES OR KNOWS LITTLE ABOUT POWER STRUGGLE WHICH WAS INCREASING IN INTENSITY EVEN AS HE WAS VISITING PEIPING AND ADMIRING WILY CHOU.

15. "SENATOR JACKSON'S ENDORSEMENT OF PEIPING REGIME IS SERIOUS MATTER FOR GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

16. "HE IS NO EASILY IMPRESSED JOURNALIST, NO BLINDFOLDED LIBERAL PREPARED FIND ONLY GOOD IN CHINESE MAINLAND. HE IS ONE OF SENATE'S FOREMOST EXPERTS ON WEAPONRY AND DEFENSE AND NOT TO BE DECEIVED INTO BELIEVING THAT '800 MILLION PEOPLE' WILL ATTACK UNITED STATES IF PEIPING REGIME IS NOT RECOGNIZED.

17. "SENATOR JACKSON IS STATESMAN OF STATURE AND POLITICIAN OF INFLUENCE. HE IS ALSO TERRIBLY WRONG.

18. "REPUBLIC OF CHINA'S AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, JAMES SHEN, KNOWS SENATOR JACKSON. TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, THEY HAVE RESPECT AND HIGH REGARD FOR EACH OTHER.

19. "THIS IS SURELY TIME TO ASK SENATOR JACKSON REVIEW HIS THINKING ON CHINA POLICY OF UNITED STATES.

20. "WE HAVE NEARLY 16 MILLION PEOPLE ON THIS ISLAND WHO WOULD DIE TO LAST MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD BEFORE ACCEPTING LIFE UNDER COMMUNISM. BETTER DEAD THAN RED IS NO MERE SLOGAN IN REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

21. "IF UNITED STATES WERE TO MOVE IN DIRECTION RECOMMENDED BY SENATOR JACKSON, IT WOULD BE ORDAINING HOT WAR IN TAIWAN STRAITS AND CREATING CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH WORLD CONFLICT COULD EASILY ERUPT.

22. "PRESIDENT NIXON AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAVE ALREADY COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO SOLUTION OF CHINA PROBLEM BY CHINESE. HAVING DONE SO, PROPER INTERNATIONAL ROLE OF UNITED STATES IS TO MAINTAIN STATUS QUO IN CHINA RELATIONS.

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23. "ONCE EVENTS HAVE TAKEN THEIR COURSE ON THE MAINLAND, MUCH WILL BE CHANGED. THIS IS NO TIME FOR UNITED STATES TO ROCK CHINA BOAT AND INTERFERE IN FINAL AND MOMENTOUS DECISION OF CHINESE PEOPLE."
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